



City of Cambridge

43.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAYOR WOLF

March 12, 1990

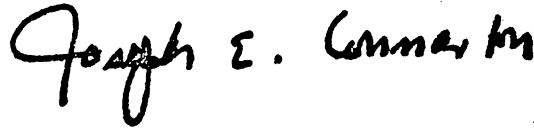
1990 SISTER CITIES SUMMIT MEETING

- WHEREAS:** In the past ten years over 74,000 Salvadorans have been killed, over 7000 have been "disappeared" and over a million have been displaced from their homes; including the recent, brutal assassination of the six Jesuits and their two co-workers by members of a U.S.-trained elite battalion; and
- WHEREAS:** Through our Sister City relationships, the people of the United States have been providing humanitarian assistance and physical and moral accompaniment to help our Salvadoran brothers and sister survive and rebuild their communities; and
- WHEREAS:** Since 1980 our government has sent over \$4 billion dollars in military assistance and economic aid and hundreds of war-related personnel to the government of El Salvador; yet United States policy has failed to bring about the needed reforms to establish democracy, improve human rights, and bring stability and peace for the people of El Salvador; and
- WHEREAS:** The Salvadoran government of President Cristiani and its Armed Forces have been persecuting religious, labor and human rights workers and members of the political opposition, many of which are our Sister Cities; and the aid from our government removes any incentive for either the government or military to end this persecution and negotiate to end the war; and
- WHEREAS:** In our own cities, resources are lacking to address the most pressing social problems such as affordable housing and homelessness, drug abuse, and AIDS; and such funding could greatly contribute to resolving these problems instead of fueling the war in El Salvador; and
- WHEREAS:** The United Nations has agreed to mediate the conflict between the Salvadoran government and the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front to negotiate a settlement to the ten-year old war; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED:** That we urge President Bush and members of Congress to immediately cut off all aid to the Salvadoran government, and to redirect those funds to urgently needed social programs at home; and to support genuine negotiations for peace between the Salvadoran government and the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front with the mediation of the United Nations; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That through our presence at the 1990 Sister Cities Summit Meeting, we reaffirm our commitment to continue to respond to the urgent call of our brothers and sisters of El Salvador and provide moral, economic and material support in their journey toward peace with social justice.

In City Council March 12, 1990.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Joseph E. Connarton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "J".

Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

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Mayor Wolf resolution on 1990 Sister City
Summit Meeting.

In City Council,

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ORDER ADOPTED